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**KENNEDY, SCHUMER, HARKIN, CLINTON JOIN LEADERS AND ACTIVISTS TO
CELEBRATE STATE MINIMUM WAGE WINS AND FIGHT FOR FEDERAL INCREASE**

MOVING AMERICA FORWARD BEGINS WITH A HIGHER MINIMUM WAGE

Washington, DC: On Thursday, November 16 at 2:00 pm, Senators Kennedy, Schumer, Harkin and Clinton will join leaders and activists from the six states that passed minimum wage initiatives to affirm their commitment to raising the federal minimum wage. Last week, the citizens of Arizona, Colorado, Montana, Missouri, Nevada and Ohio voted overwhelmingly in support of raising the minimum wage. The leaders and activists that helped make that happen will join the senators to convey the strong desire that people have across the country to give hard working Americans the raise they deserve. Kennedy's plan to raise the minimum wage from \$5.15 to \$7.25 is a priority for the new Democratic Senate in the 110th Congress.

What: Press Conference on the Minimum Wage

When: Thursday, November 16, 2006 2pm

Where: 430 Dirksen

Who: Senator Kennedy

Senator Schumer

Senator Harkin

Senator Clinton

Other Senators TBD

Alicia Russell, member of Arizona ACORN, Chair of AZ ACORNs Political Action Committee, and leader in the successful ballot campaign to raise Arizona's minimum wage.

John Sweeney, President, AFL-CIO

Lenny Jones, Missouri Campaign Director (SEIU)

Rev. Paul Sherry, Let Justice Roll

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